



King County

HealthScape

Community design for health and the environment

This is a periodic e-mail designed to keep you in the loop on current efforts, events, and news related to HealthScape.

Save the date

The next HealthScape Advisory Committee meeting will be a workshop, Financing Smart Growth, on Wednesday, May 30, at 9 a.m. (location TBA). We're working to collaborate with one of the monthly Urban Land Institute programs. Watch for more information in next month's e-mail update.

What's going on at HealthScape

King County is developing an outreach strategy that will clarify our messages about the HealthScape program to planners, elected officials, and the public. During the next few months we'd like to get information about the program out to organizations, and this fall and winter we'll hold a workshop to teach people about the implementation tools we're developing.

How you can help

Let us know of any organizations you think would be interested in hearing about HealthScape. You can send a list to Chris O'Claire (Christina.oclaire@metrokc.gov) or bring it to the next meeting.

In the news...

Walkability study sheds light around light rail stops—People walk farther than they think (University of Oregon news release) <http://waddle.uoregon.edu/?id=700>

Freeways' tainted air harms children's lungs—Lifelong damage found in 13-year study of 3,600 youngsters living near highways (Los Angeles Times) <http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-sci-lungs26jan26,1,4092284.story?ctrack=1&cset=true> (site requires registration)

The Links between Public Health and Sustainable and Active Transportation—Issue paper that reviews links between health and transportation infrastructure (Transport Canada) <http://www.tc.gc.ca/programs/environment/UTSP/publichealth.htm>

Let's talk

Would you like someone to come talk to your organization about our study results, or to get people involved in upcoming HealthScape events and activities? Please contact the project managers, Karen Wolf (karen.wolf@metrokc.gov / 206.296.3423) or Chris O'Claire (christina.oclaire@metrokc.gov / 206.263.4753).